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SUBJECT: FAMAGUSTA LOOTING

REF: A. NICOSIA 1843 (NOTAL) B. NICOSIA 2002 (NOTAL)

1. SPEAKING TO THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR CORRESPONDENT JOHN COOLEY JUNE 24, TURKISH CYPRIOT LEADER DENKTASH ADMITTED THAT HIS REGIME WAS SYSTEMATICALLY STRIPPING FAMAGUSTA NEW CITY (VAROSHA) OF ITS VALUABLE. DENKTASH REPORTEDLY TOLD COOLEY THAT "LUXURY GOODS" ARE BEING REMOVED TO NICOSIA FOR SALE TO THE TURKISH CYPRIOT PUBLIC. SAME IS TRUE FOR SPARE PARTS, CONSUMER GOODS, ETC.

2. DENKTASH REPORTEDLY JUSTIFIED THIS ON BASIS HEALTH HAZARD CREATED IN VAROSHA BY DETERIORATION OF FOOD STUFFS LEFT BY FLEEINCEGREHF POPULACE. SAID TURKS WERE DISPOSING OF FOOD AND
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DISINFECTING PREMISES WHILE REMOVING VALUABLES.

3. DENKTASH TODF COOLEY THAT TURKS HAD DISCOVERED VIRTUAL PRIVATE MUSUEMS IN VAROSHA HOMES; HAD CATALOGUED THESE - AND "REMOVED THEM FOR SAFEKEEPING". HE CLAIMED UNESCO HAD EXPRESSED ITS APPRECIATION FOR THIS PRESERVATION OF ANTIQUITIES.

4. COMMENT: COOLEY IS AN ACCURATE REPORTER.
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